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Election/Restrictions

1. The amendment filed on September 17, 2003 canceling all claims drawn to the elected invention and presenting only claims drawn to a non-elected invention is non-responsive (MPEP § 821.03). The remaining claims are not readable on the elected invention because the elected species is the adhesive layer containing bubbles according to Figure 1 *in the form of a foamed body impregnated with the adhesive* while the remaining claims are now directed to the non-elected species according to Figure 1 wherein the adhesive layer containing bubbles is in the form of adhesive including hollow and/or foamed body particles or in the form of a foamed adhesive.

Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Adrienne C. Johnstone whose telephone number is (703)308-2059. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 10:00AM-6:30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Richard Crispino can be reached on (703)308-3853. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703)872-9311.

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Adrienne C. Johnstone". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "S".